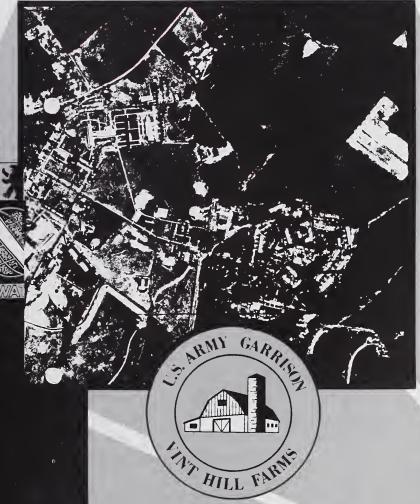
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Jimmie B. Garrett, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations of the Army's Intelligence and Security Command, died December 23, 1984, after a heart attack.

Mr. Garrett's career began in 1942 with the Signal Corps. A year later he began working at Arlington Hall Station and remained there until his death.

He had received numerous awards including the Civilian Meritorious Service Award, the Exceptional Meritorious Service Award, and the Superior Performance Award.

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This issue is dedicated to the year 1984 and is reflective of the many and varied happenings during that year. It is in looking back that we learn from experiences. It is from the experiences that we gain new insight and confidence as we go forward into another year.

Correction:

In the November 1984 issue of the **INSCOM Journal featuring Field** Station Augsburg, there is an incompatibility in one of the photos and its identification. The INSCOM Journal regrets the error.

Vint Hill Farms Station

1984 Reviews His Career on the Farm

(The following article is reprinted from the Dec. 28, 1984 issue of *The Vanguard*, Vint Hill Farms Station's newspaper.)

1984 stopped by the Public Affairs Office late on the last day of December to rest for a few breaths on his way out of existence and to reminisce about his days at Vint Hill.

He was tall, thin, tired, and bent with old age. His hair and bushy beard were the color of paper left out in the sun. A soiled, tattered robe that had at one time, most likely, been innocently white clung to his frame as lifelessly as a dustcover for furniture. His sharp aristocratic features and pale blue eyes intimated a hint of dignity and were full of fun and mischief in his last hours of life.

He carried an hourglass, a hot-water bottle, and a bottle of aspirin.

What follows is condensation of an interview conducted by The Vanguard, edited for family consumption.

The Vanguard: Give us a brief rundown on some of highlights of your career.

1984: Well sir, I started off in style. I wasn't even a week old when the Sgt. Maj. of the Army whisked in for a visit. He said the Army was in good shape. So was I, then. Wish I could say the same for . . .

The Vanguard: Anything else you can remember?

1984: Sure. Sure. Had a lot of fun at a computer fair at the post library the second week of January. Didn't understand a word of what was going on but had fun watching everyone else have fun. Yes, and Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday service—in the chapel, I believe—was held soon after that. And, of course, you—this here paper—got started . . . but that's nothing to write about. (chuckles to himself)

The Vanguard: How about the bank . . .

1984: The bank, First Virginia, that is, opened its branch here the next month. Speaking of that, I could use ... And the post NCODP started. Vint Hill celebrated Black History Month one of the weeks of February. Forgot the dates. I do remember a talent contest in the theater that was particularly enjoyable. That lieutenant ... Sorrentino, I think, took over at EMRA. And Billy Reavis retired that month.

The Vanguard: Reavis retired in March.

1984: So it was. Fine. Fine. What else?

The Vanguard: Well, Halifax was awarded the facility support contract for the post April 1.

1984: Sure, but what about

March? Come up blank with March. April 1, huh? Fools' Day. (chuckles) What can I say? Old John Feaster was promoted to LTC the day after Fools' Day. Now that's something. Let me see . . . Memorial Day. And then the "Sub Stop" opened in June. D-Day. March? There was a big bike rodeo. Didn't win anything. But did get a rear reflector for showing up. You all planted that tree for D-Day. How's it doing?

The Vanguard: Fine as far as I know. What do you recall

about July?

1984: Don't rush me, son. July? July. Capt. Wooton picked up a pretty check for inventing something or other that saved the Army a bundle. Sure, and Wanda what's-hername, the library tech, you know her, came on board. That reminds me. I have an over-due book ... Or was that in June? Did you say July? Let's see ... "Battling" Bob Laver knocked out his first Sports Beat column for the paper. Say, how much does he get for ... of course, I was in LA for the Olympics for most of the ...

The Vanguard: Did you return in time for the INSCOM Picnic?

1984: Yes. Yes. I was here. Wouldn't have missed it. Seemed like all of INSCOM

was reeling around here. That was sure some party (chuckles and conspiratorially eyes the aspirin). Don't remember much else. Seems like Oktoberfest happened right afterwards (whistles low and long). That was something ... Remember that young lady ... well ... better not if this is on the record. Vint Hill adopted H. M. Pearson sometime around September ... no, it was earlier. In the summer. Sure. Sure. And Gen. Soyster took charge of INSCOM in a ceremony here. But that was in July. Everything's a little foggy. Old friends, Soyster and me. And Bell, William A., E5-type, was Soldier of the Year. Good man. Good man.

The Vanguard: Looking back, is there ...

1984: Noggle, captain, big guy, a cop, showed up for work. And Halloween, of course. Read that piece you all did on Derby Meadows and that DI at the NCO Club. Handicapped Week was that month—October, that is, too. And then Army Family Week the next month. And Thanksgiving. And the post helped with that crazy playground over at Pearson. That was fine. Fine. Energy Awareness or something Week. Running out of it myself. Sure could use a . . .

The Vanguard: Which brings us to December.

1984: Favorite time of the year. Christmas. No snow though. Don't understand it ... Christmas makes it all worthwhile. The lights strung on the houses, trees blinking in the windows, and the busy stores, and the stars at night were so clear and seemed so close, it was as if you could reach up and grab a handful.

The Vanguard: So December ranks as the brightest month ... the most memorable?

1984: Wouldn't say that. I wouldn't say that. There was something going on all year long. Except March. Don't know what happened to March. Didn't skip it, did I? (stands and searches the pockets and folds in his robe) I keep a copy of each month ... I know ... it should be in here somewhere ...

The Vanguard: Well, winding it up, how would you rate the year overall? A success?

Failure?

1984: Not a failure. You have to weigh it all out, you know. Ups and downs. Yes. Yes. It was a good year if you didn't weaken. That's a quote, son. It's sort of a success just to be around to see it all end. These days, it's a privilege just to be around . . .

The rest of 1984's remarks were unfortunately drowned out by the brash squall of the new year.

Field Station San Antonio

Maj. Gen. Soyster visits FS San Antonio

by Capt. Stephen A. Lawrence

MG Harry E. Soyster visited Field Station San Antonio from October 16 to 18, 1984. This was his second visit in his capacity as the INSCOM Commander.

Gen. Soyster arrived in San Antonio about noon on the sixteenth. He was given a tour of the CSOC, and briefed on planned expansion of activities in the future. This consumed most of his first day here. In the evening, at an officer call, Gen. Soyster expounded on the future of INSCOM. He pronounced the future as being "bright."

A primary concern ex-

pressed by Gen. Soyster was soldier welfare. Many of his questions pertained to quality of life and job conditions. For example, he visited with PFC Maura Trimble, a soldier at the Academy of Health Sciences, after a personal request from her parents.

Most of the rest of Gen. Soysters's visit was spent on tours of the Electronic Security Command Headquarters, as well as the 902d MI GP. Included was a visit with his Air Force counterpart, MG Marks.

We feel the visit was a total success and we look forward to his next visit.



1st Sgt. Robert Rimrodt (back to camera) is stopped in his tracks by 1st Lt. Charles Orecchio (#1). (Photo by Sgt. Rick Elliott)

FS San Antonio holds Turkey Bowl II

The setting for Turkey Bowl II was a pleasant Texas Saturday afternoon: cool, cloudy, with the temperature in the low 70s. For over a week, the emotional buildup to gametime climbed to a fever pitch, with soldiers solidly supporting a talented NCO team. This was their year, and an opportunity to even up last year's 16-14 heartbreaking loss. At 1 p.m. Lt. Col Dickson led his eight spartan officers on the field before a silent crowd. It wasn't until CSM Howorth brought the NCOs on McBee Field that the crowd came to life. A toss of the coin gave first possession to the NCOs. The classic was underway.

On their first possession, the NCOs could not gain any yardage. Keyed by a sack of CSM Howorth by 1st Lt. Goggin, the NCOs were forced to

by PFC Jim Coffin III

punt. It took only six plays for the officers to score, the 1st Lt. Orecchio scoring on a 20-yard keeper. The conversion attempt failed and the officers led 6–0.

This quick scoring drive seemed only to incite the NCOs, who did not fail to provide loyal fans something to cheer about. Using their "trick play," a handoff from SFC Richmond, SFC Crider went on a 21-yard gallop for the score. CSM Howorth hit SFC Veazey over the middle for the conversion, and the NCOs led 7-6. Starting on their 20-yard line, it took only six plays before 1st Lt. Orecchio hit 1st Lt. Goggin for the go ahead touchdown; 12-7. Once again the crowd was silent and once again the NCOs were ready for

the challenge. Accurate passing and a steady drive culminated when CSM Howorth hit SFC Richmond to score, giving the NCOs a 12–12 lead that held up through the second quarter. The NCOs led at halftime, and a frustrated officer squad was forced to regroup.

The second half opened with full sunshine, elevated temperatures, and a fired up NCO club. Responding to the excitement of fans, the NCOs quickly shut down the officer attack. After several exchanges between the clubs, and with only a few plays left in the third quarter, the NCOs started their final scoring drive. After several short completed passes, CSM Howorth hit SFC Veazey on a short swing pattern for an 18-yard touchdown. Veazey

caught the conversion, giving the NCOs a 20–12 lead. The score stood for the remainder of the third quarter.

At the start of the fourth quarter, everyone at McBee Field sensed an NCO victory. The officers had played both ways for 75 plays. Lt. Col. Dickson had suffered a concussion on the first quarter, and Capt. Suther had already played over a half with torn ligaments. It was now that the officers seemed to reach down, spartan-like, for that something special every great team has. Early in the fourth quarter, after an interception by Capt. Lawrence, 1st Lt. Orecchio silenced the crowd with an electrifying 13-yard scoring scamper. He tied the game at 20-20 with his own conversion run.

After a short NCO offensive series was shut down by a WO1 Mandel interception, the officers put together their winning drive. Moving from their own seven-yard line with a series of running and pass completion plays, it was first and goal from the 16-yard line. Following three incomplete passes, and with five game plays left, it came down to a fourth and eleven situation. After the officers lined up, 1st Lt. Orecchio audibled, rolled to this right, and passed. The pass was on the money, and 1st Lt. Goggin assured the score by quickly covering up the pigskin and getting both feet in bounds in the corner of the end zone. Still, the NCOs had one last chance, which was erased as Capt. Lawrence came down with his third interception of the game to ensure the 26–20 officer victory.

Both teams played extremely well, with everyone already talking about Turkey Bowl III. Events like these make Alamo Station a choice assignment.



Operation homecooking at FS San Antonio

by Sgt. Rick K. Elliott

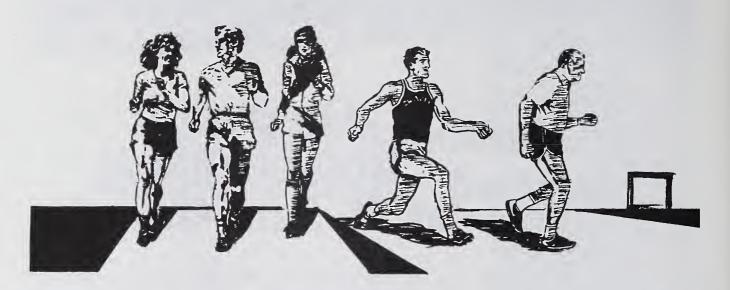
Being away from home on the holidays can be very depressing. But, thanks to several families assigned to Alamo Station, 30 single soldiers had a "home" for Thanksgiving.

Operation Homecooking was an idea that began back in August, as a way to do something special for the single soldiers who would be in the barracks during the holiday. Since the soldiers at Alamo Station are from all over the country, and not everyone could take leave, it was very important to come up with something for them to do on this day that is traditionally spent with the family.

Once plans were finalized, the word was put out, from the Field Station Commander, down through the ranks. All married soldiers, that had room, were given the opportunity to place their name on a roster as to how many personnel they could take in. Some knew who they wanted to invite. Others just left it open to chance waiting to see who would come. Although only sixteen families offered to take personnel from the barracks, thirty soldiers had a "family" for the day.

The soldiers who were "adopted" for Thanksgiving were treated to a full day of parades and turkey or ham with all the trimmings, followed by a generous portion of professional football. Although this was the first year for Alamo Station to participate in a program like this, everyone involved feels that it went well, and next year will be even better.

470th MI Group



SAPO fun run

by SSgt. Peter Meo

November 10, 1984 provided clear skies and sunshine for the 470th Military Intelligence Group's 4th Annual SAPO Fun Run. Each year the 470th sponsors the 5-kilometer Fun Run on both sides of the Isthmus. This year the Atlantic side run was held at Fort Davis and the Pacific side run was held on the causeway of Fort Amador.

Preparations began long before the 10th with the sale of t-shirts advertising the event. This year over 700 t-shirts were sold. Monies collected from t-shirt sales and race entry fees are used for a unit sponsored Christmas party for the La Colorado School located in the interior of Panama. Each year the entire village shows up to participate in the festivities.

At the 0700 hour start time of the race, more than 180 individuals were lined up at the starting marker. Entrants for the event included service members from all U.S. uniformed services stationed in Panama, their family members, Panamanian military members, their families, students from the Inter-American Air Forces Academy, and local Panamanian citizens. This year

approximately a third of the entrants were Panamanian and a quarter of the participants were children. Trophies were provided to first place finishers in each race category and medals were provided for second and third place runners. Maj. Gen. Fred Woerner, Commander, 193rd Infantry Brigade (Panama), participated in the Pacific side race and assisted with the presentation of the trophies and medals. Atlantic side presentations were by Maj. Dennis McGaugh, Commander, Field Station Panama.



Members, and their dependents, of the 470th MIGP and Field Station Panama enjoy a tug-of-war.

470th Organization Day

On October 15, 1984, members and dependents of the 470th Military Intelligence Group took a day off from the normal hectic routine and celebrated the 470th Organization Day. With the exception of those personnel designated mission essential (a common situation at fixed stations), Field Station Panama turned out at the Cristobal High School Stadium to welcome the tourists from the Pacific side of the Isthmus.

After the opening remarks by Maj. Dennis A. McGaugh, Commander, USAFS Panama, he and Maj. Sumner Wright, Deputy Commander, 470th MI GP took the ceremonial quarter-mile Commander's Run. Upon the conclusion of the opening ceremonies, the day's activities began in earnest.

by 2d Lt. Mark Smith

470th MI GP (Pacific) won the one-mile relay in a fairly convincing manner, but the highly touted 470th soccer team went down to defeat to a highly-spirited, fired-up Field Station team. The next event, softball, ended in a 2–2 tie when the powers-that-be decided that only one extra inning should be played.

As the morning's activities ended, a mass migration to the barbecue pits took place. There everyone had the opportunity to sample steaks, chicken, hamburgers, and hot dogs all capably prepared by SSgt. Ruben Martino who was gamely assisted by Sgt. Maj. Gaylon Bettis. Food was available throughout the afternoon, but everyone's attention soon returned to the business at

hand.

The Field Station ripped the Group in volleyball and the Group returned the favor in basketball. This brought the competition down to the final event, the tug-of-war, which would determine the winner of the Commander's Trophy. Ever the gracious hosts, Field Station allowed the Group two easy pulls and awarded them the trophy so that the ride back to the Pacific side would not seem so long.

2d Lt. Mark Smith, the organizer of the day's activities, congratulated the Field Station on the work they did in preparation for the event and vowed that next year, when the rules of hospitality do not require gracious losing, the Group would see what the Field Station is really capable of doing.

Soldier of the Year at the 470th

Sp5 Pete R. Lee was selected 470th MI Group, Corozal, Panama's Soldier of the Year during local competition held in October.

A previous Soldier of the Quarter, Sp5 Lee successfully withstood stiff competition from other Soldier of the Quarter selectees and rigorous grilling from the members of the selection board on various topics ranging from basic soldiering to biological/nuclear defense. Additionally, he was required to give a six-to-tenminute presentation. Sp5 Lee's

performance and bearing were impressive and were key factors in his selection.

His selection as Soldier of the Year caps a long history of personal accomplishments. Sp5 Lee graduated first of 72 from his advanced individual training course and fourth of 93 from the primary leadership course. He has completed correspondence courses to include a medical specialist course. Sp5 Lee's awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster; Army



Sp5 Pete R. Lee was recently selected Soldier of the Year of the 470th MI Group.

Achievement Medal; Army Service Ribbon; NCO Professional Development Ribbon with number "2"; and numerous Certificates of Achievement/Commendation.

Special Security Group, USAEUR

Colonel George Campbell, Commander, Special Security Group officiated the presentation of the Special Security Commander's Sports Trophy to Captain Dwight Williams, Total Fitness Officer (as well as Operations Officer), SSC USAREUR. The SSC USAR-EUR Commander's Trophy was won by the SSO element at Heidelberg. The trophy is awarded to the winner of the Annual Sports Competition between the SSO element and the SSO Com Center.

The sports competition in-

volves 7 sports events held during the fiscal year. The SSO team won 4 of the 7 events to win the overall competition. The competition was tied at 3 wins each until the conclusion of the final event, shooting. The SSO's victories were in softball, basketball, soccer, and shooting while the Com Center won football, bowling and volleyball.

The most valuable player award went to Sp5 Stan Wooten of the Com Center. He was instrumental in the Com Center's victories in football

and volleyball. The surprise player of the year was SFC Stewart, NCOIC of SSC USAEUR, for his excellence as catcher in softball, fullback in soccer and shooting 9 out of 10 clay pigeons on the trap range. Others heralded were MSgt. Courtney, previous SSC USAREUR NCOIC, with high game in bowling, 266; Maj. Block, Executive Officer SSC USAREUR, with 12 RBI's in softball; SSgt. Gross, Com Center, in shooting and Sp5 Guevara, Com Center, in

Field Station Augsburg

Change of Command

by Joy Peterson

Field Station Augsburg's Support Battalion companies, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Supply and Maintenance Company, and Service Company, stood in formation on Dawson Field to greet their new commander, Lt. Col. Ross C. Goode, on April 19.

At this Change of Command Ceremony the battalion bid farewell to their commander, Lt. Col. Calvin E. Boyles, who had commanded them from June 4, 1982 to April 18, 1984. Relinquishing command, Boyles received a 2d Oak Leaf Cluster Meritorious Service Medal award.

In addressing the outgoing commander, Col. Floyd L. Runyon, Field Station commander, extended his appreciation of Boyles' efforts and unending dedication to the soldiers of the largest operational military intelligence battalion in the world. Addressing the new commander, Runyon said, "Col. Goode, you are assuming command of an organization and assuming missions which will test your wisdom and judgement, exercise your leadership, and demand more of you than any other assignment you have ever had."

"Support Battalion," continued Runyon, "is the keystone upon which the mission operations of this entire command are based. There is no element

or person within the entirety of Field Station Augsburg that is not dependent upon your battalion and its nearly 700 professional soldiers." He went on, "Your battalion, its people, and its mission are much like the proverbial postman . . . in the light of day, the dark of night, ... despite wind, rain, hail and snow, Support Battalion is there and depended upon for continuous, timely, dedicated and professional soldiers, mission operations and, indeed, support. Your soldiers will need your support and guidance under the same conditions that they give their own," concluded Runyon.

"I stand before the best damn soldiers in the world," began Boyles with his departing words. "It was the happiest day in my life when I took command of this battalion—today is the saddest and the proudest." Commenting on the pride he had in the soldiers of Support Battalion, he talked about the Army Achievement Medals presented to MSgt. James A. Johnson, SFC Donald McDonald and 1st Sgt. Donald R. Fuller for their efforts to help a fallen soldier during one of the change of command practices. "They saw a soldier fall (during PT), though they'll never see him again, and went to his rescue. They gave him their



Lt. Col. Ross C. Goode

breath of life in trying to keep him alive (by administering CPR)." Runyon presented the awards, upon Boyles recommendation, as Boyles wanted to show these three NCOs that he cared that they cared enough to go to a fellow soldier's aid.

Addressing his battalion, upon assumption of command, Goode said, "In the short time that my family and I have been in Augsburg I am impressed with the dedication and professionalism of everyone we've met." Addressing his soldiers, he continued, "You truly look well today. I'll do everything in my power to support you in every way that I can."



Augsburg Profile: First Place in Army-wide competition

The Augsburg Profile, FS Augsburg's newspaper, won first place in its category for the 1984 Keith L. Ware Awards. The annual competition recognizes outstanding Army newspapers in a variety of categories. The Profile won the outstanding mimeograph/multilith newspaper category.

DA conducts two competitions annually, the KLW Awards for outstanding Army newspapers and the Paul D. Savanuck Army Newspaper Journalist of the Year Award. The awards are for print media, or journalists working on print media, authorized by AR 360–81, Command Information Program. Unit newspapers compete at the MACOM level and the MACOM forwards its

by Deidre A. Hoehn

nominees (in INSCOM's case only one entry per category) to DA. DA in turn selects first, second, and third place winners, as well as honorable mentions, for each category. Judging at DA was conducted by a panel of civilian and military media professionals.

This is not the first time the *Augsburg Profile* has been a winner in the KLW competitions. It has won honorable mention, third place and second place in past years. This is the first year, however, that the newspaper has taken first place.

Many attribute the Profile's

good track record to Joy Peterson. Peterson was the editor of the newspaper until the fall of 1984, when she joined civilian life. Through her efforts, hard work, and "know how" in the past few years, she successfully developed the newspaper to a point where it won first place in an Armywide competition.

INSCOM nominees to DA in other categories included: FS Okinawa's *Torii Typhoon*, editor, Sp5 Mary Bavry; Vint Hill Farms Station's *Vanguard*, editor, Sp4 Scott Wood; and FS San Antonio's *Alamo Wrangler*, editor, Sgt. Rick Elliott. Sgt. Elliott was nominated to DA as the INSCOM nominee for the Paul D. Savanuck Journalist of

the Year Award.

FS Augsburg's Nijmegen Team marches again

by 1st Lt. Donna M. Trianna

Why march in circles and for 25 miles no less? Well, sometimes we shave off a mile, but what is a mile between friends!

Why? As far as I have been able to classify it, it is good exercise. Nothing overly strenuous, at least not up until the 10th mile or lunch, whichever comes first.

Our thirty-minute lunch breaks were never less than fifty minutes and then there was still someone always missing. In the interim, our bodies had completed registering what we had been doing to them, so that getting started again was next to impossible.

I classify our marching as a sport, not a spectator sport, I'll admit. There was no one but each other to cheer us on. I would not compare it to a marathon either, as no one was at the finish line to cheer for our

accomplishments. It's not one of those sports you celebrate in the aftermath except perhaps in a hot tub and, later, with a liberal application of muscle ointment.

Aside from our ritual Saturday marches, our team had the opportunity to spend two days in May marching through some of the most breathtaking scenery there is, the hills and mountains of Bera,



Field Station Augsburg's Nijmegen Team. (Photo by Jim Knutson)

Switzerland. We had the pleasure of our surroundings and the occasion to meet military units from Holland, France, Germany, and Switzerland and a group of police from London, England. One of the most memorable people we met was a woman, who was preparing for her 20th Nijmegen march. What was touching, was the gratitude she has for Americans. She feels the actions of Americans during World War II were responsible for the freedom under which she lives and cherishes so highly today.

Field Station Augsburg's Nijmegen Team departed for Nijmegen, Holland on July 13, 1984. The first stop was Camp Deaden, where they registered, learned the history of Nijmegen and viewed the film, "A Bridge Too Far." The next morning team members loaded their gear into assigned trailers and then boarded the buses to depart for Nijmegen.

In the early morning hours of July 17, thousands of troops in formation filled the still wet streets. Units from eight different countries were lined up, one behind the other, exhilarated: they were ready to start the grueling international march. The troops tried not to show the chill in the morning air, and yet each had a look of determination to complete the march. There were over 20,000 marchers, military and civilian alike, ready for the blistering 25 miles yet to come. With the presence of other units and the many spectators, a sense of honor got us through the next four days.

The Field Station Augsburg Nijmegen Team completed the march successfully and each member received a Presidential Sports Fitness Backpacking Award, a KNBLO Medal, and seven patches. Since all the

team members completed the 100 miles, a team medal was presented to the NCOIC of the team for the Field Station. Upon returning to Field Station Augsburg, an award ceremony was conducted for the team. The 15-member team received Army Achievement Medals for their outstanding accomplishment.

All of the sacrifices that each team member made was a learning experience, an experience that will not be forgotten.

Why were we marching? Every Saturday we marched 25 miles in preparation for Nijmegen. Nijmegen is a NATO-sponsored march that takes place in Nijmegen, Holland. This march consists of walking 25 miles for four consecutive days within a ninehour time frame. Marching was done in uniform and boots while carrying packs. The male members were required to carry 22 pounds in their packs. Although the females had no weight requirement, they did carry between 6-15 pounds in their packs. Additionally, a new requirement demanded that we complete a 100-mile qualification march. This requirement was completed the first week in June. As a result, we have gotten to know quite a few roads into, out of, and

around the Augsburg area. We did acquire followers on one frequently traversed roadhorses and cows from one end of their enclosure to the other. The horses looked for apples and such, while the cows were just satisfying their curiosity. All team members are in full agreement of our gratitude of the Germans for their fondness of fences. We came across more than a few dogs that I would not care to meet any other way than with a fence separating us. Germans that we met always encouraged us, but they were still curious and sympathetic. I suppose there were times when we looked a little pathetic during some long, hard miles of marching.

What do we do while marching? Well, you can march only so long in silence and seven to eight hours far exceeds the time one needs for a period of thought and reflection. Being verbal somehow severs the messages your body is trying to send to your brain. We found singing songs, cadences and discussing a wide variety of subjects passed the time quickly. Sometimes our subjects were nonsensical as to involve little or no thought at all. In one of our favorite marching songs, the chorus sounds like we forgot the words.

Marching on ... (Photo by Jim Knutson)



Sgt. Jeanne M. Goodwin

USAREUR

Goodwin—Soldier of the Year

Sgt. Jeanne M. Goodwin, Second Operations Battalion, is one of 1984's USAREUR Soldiers of the Year.

Goodwin has an outstanding record of accomplishments for her three years in the military. She attended basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. in 1981 and was the honor graduate of her AIT class at Goodfellow Air Force Base. She has also attended the U1 add-on class in 1983.

Since arriving at Field Station Augsburg and being assigned to 2nd Ops Bn in July of 1983, she has accumulated a list of honors and achievements that would make anyone proud. Goodwin is her battalion's Soldier of the Month for December 1983, and her battalion's Soldier of the

Quarter for March 1984. She also claimed the honor of being selected as Field Station's Soldier of the Quarter, also in March 1984.

This past July, Goodwin was elected to represent the Augsburg Military Community at the USAREUR Soldier of the Year Board. This board was held over a two day period, July 18 and 19, with 35 representatives from all over the VII Corps area competing. Being selected as one of the winners, Goodwin traveled to Stuttgart to receive her award as a USAREUR Soldier of the Year. Glenn Κ. USAREUR commander, presented her with a certificate, a three-day holiday at AFRC, and \$2,000 in savings bonds

for her accomplishment.

Goodwin has also taken top honors at the PLDC course at Bad Toelz that she attended in January. She graduated at the top of her class, receiving the Distinguished Honor Graduate Certificate, and the George S. Patton Award for Excellence. Currently she is Platoon Training NCO, Battalion Historical Reporter, and a FSA VIP Briefer in addition to her regular duties.

The year of hard work and studying was all worthwhile according to Goodwin. The respect and recognition she receives for her accomplishments from those around her, make her proud to be a soldier and a member of 2nd Operations Battalion, Field Station Augsburg.



FS Augsburg's NCODC graduates 1,107

Field Station Augsburg's Noncommissioned Officer Development Course has seen 1,107 students, from 42 classes, pass through its 3,360 hours of classroom instruction, since its start in April of 1982. Noncommissioned officers from FS Augsburg and the Augsburg Community attend this school to improve on military knowledge.

To gain in military knowledge these students go through three hours of hands-on practical experience in Land Navigation and 11 1/2 hours of Drill and Ceremony in addition to the 80 hours of classroom study. Invaluable training is also given with an eight hour block of instruction on CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation).

Throughout the two years of the NCODC program changes

by Joy Peterson

have occurred to constantly improve the program, making it fit the needs of the students, based upon their suggestions. Some of the military subjects covered include Military Leadership; Unit Administration; Transportation; Responsibilities of an NCO; Drill and Ceremonies; Military Conduct and Courtesy; EER's and the Promotion System; and Map Reading to name a few.

Changes have also occurred in the schools' commandants with the succession from the first, MSgt. Larry P. Rogers, to SFC Henry P. Burke, and to the current commandant, MSgt. Charles M. Putnam.

This year there have been 10 classes to graduate from the Field Station school to date.

Each class, passing through the program, awards the Brown Boot award to the student who demonstrates the highest ability in marching a platoon sized element within a marked off area, with predesignated, required commands and demonstrated marching ability while they themselves march within formations. An honor graduate is also named for each class from the accumulation of the highest amount of points received from written tests given throughout the course. Starting with class 04-84, the highest scoring student in each class has been given the distinction of being the Distinguished Graduate and has been awarded the Army Achievement Medal by Col. Floyd L. Runyon, commander.

Athletes win title

Field Station Augsburg named its FY 1984 male and female Athlete of the Year at an awards ceremony on October 18. Awarded to the male and female athlete who has shown and demonstrated an outstanding performance in Field Station sports throughout the year, the award recognizes athletes who have maintained highest the degree sportsmanship, established themselves as team leaders and have displayed selfdiscipline. This year's Athlete of the Year went to Capt. Isaac Bacoat, HHC Spt Bn, and Sp6 Viola Hoffman, USAISC.

Bacoat's athletic contributions include participation on HHC's football team leading them to the league championship, community championship, Southern Bavarian Championship, and into VII Corps competition. He then went on to play on the Field Station all-stars "A" team which placed second in the INSCOM-Europe tournament. Bacoat was also a starter on HHC's basketball team and a member of the Field Station basketball all-stars team. During the softball season he played left field for HHC, leading them to their best season in four years. He was also a starter for the Augsburg Community team.

Hoffman's laudable accomplishments include being a



Capt. Isaac Bacoat carries the football for HHC during flag football competition. (Photo by Joy Peterson)

member of the Third Ops Bn/ USAISC flag football team, where she played both defense and offense in the positions of end, guard and safety. She played halfback for the Augsburg Community and Field Station teams. In basketball she was a member of 3rd OPs/USAISC and Field Station teams where she played as point guard. Her aggressiveness and intelligent play aided the team to its second place finish in company level competition. Hoffman is credited with organizing the USAFSA volleyball team and was its captain. Her leadership and ability led the team to success, taking first place in the INSCOM-Europe volleyball tournament. She was also a highly visible player in the Augsburg women's softball league, where she played left field and third base for Spt Bn/ USAISC and the Field Station teams. She was a starter and an exceptional player on the Augsburg Community team as

Both athletes were presented



Sp6 Viola Hoffman (#21) walks from the volleyball court after beating Munich in the INSCOM-Europe tournament. (Photo by Joy Peterson)

DA Certificates of Achievement by Col. Floyd L. Runyon, FSA commander, and trophies by 1st Lt. Cheryl Sluder for their achievement.



Left to right: Sp4 Thomas Milham, Col. Floyd L. Runyon, CSM Robert Retter, Sgt. Jeanne Goodwin, and Sp4 James Watts raise their glasses to proposed toasts during the FSA Dining-In. (Photo by Terry Auld)

Augsburg NCOs hold Dining-In

Field Station Augsburg's NCOs held a Dining-In on September 14 at the Schmith Gasthaus. The event proved successful with all Field Station elements being represented.

Guests of honor at the social function were: Col. Floyd L. Runyon, FSA commander; CSM Robert H. Retter, presiding; and Sgt. Matthew Malaika, Mr. Vice. Other honored guests were Sgt. Jeanne Goodwin, a USAREUR Soldier of the Year, and Sp4 James Watts, FSA Soldier of the Year.

Evening activities began with a social hour and service members finding their names on a seating chart before the opening of the Mess at 6 p.m. with the posting of the Colors by the 1st Operations Battalion Color Guard.

The evening's fun began with an announcement by the President of the Mess that there was a sergeant attempting to enter the Mess without permission. The POM then asked that the sergeant identify himself, who said that he was Sgt. Henton. Sgt.

Henton was then fined by the POM for arriving late. The formal dining continued with official toasting to our Commander in Chief, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Army, INSCOM, Officers and NCOs, Field Station soldiers, and the fallen soldiers.

With the official tasting of the food, dinner was served. During the meal fines were levied for hoarding of food, wearing of green suspenders, not knowing the correct regulation number for uniforms, not knowing if the guest table could be fined, drinking beer when wine was provided at the table, returning to the Mess without requesting permission to return, and remarks about the waitress.

Colonel Runyon, the guest speaker, was then introduced. Col. Runyon addressed his speech to the NCO Corps, the NCOs of Field Station, and commended them for their camaraderie and a job well done.

With the retiring of the Colors, the lighting of the after dinner smoke was done. Colonel Runyon did the honors of lighting Sgt. Jeanne Goodwin's cigar.



During the lighting of the after-dinner smoke, Col. Runyon lights Sgt. Goodwin's cigar at the NCO Dining-In. (Photo by Terry Auld)

Field Station Kunia—1984

The Year in Review

From athletes making local headlines to pioneering programs geared toward the welfare of personnel and their families, Field Station Kunia continued to set the stage and the example in the Pacific.

1984 has been a year of almost non-stop activity. ITIC-PAC was resubordinated with Kunia and began participating in field station activities, including the recent Olympics. More than 500 people from the four services competed in the events that ranged from track and field to volleyball. The Air Force took the overall title with 40 medals, followed by the Army's Alpha Company, Headquarters and Bravo Companies. Gold, silver and bronze medals were presented throughout the competition and on INSCOM Day in October.

The field station's top weightlifters dominated the powerlifting scene as they won first and second place honors in the recent Hawaii State Championships at the Pacific Beach Hotel in Waikiki. Jim O'Connor took first place in the 181-pound category, and John Davis won second place in the 220-pound class. O'Connor also won the title of "Best Lifter" for the heavy weight division.

These Alpha Company soldiers will soon have a new home to store their trophies. Construction on a new barracks facility at Schofield Bar-

racks began this year with a formal ground breaking ceremony in June. Once completed, the facility will be the most modern barracks in the Army, according to field station commander Col. Robert M. Bowe. Construction is scheduled to be completed by December 1985.

Another soldier capturing a first place title of a different kind was Sp4 Debra Larson, Field Station and INSCOM Pacific Soldier of the Year. The Bravo Company soldier recently won second place at the INSCOM Soldier of the Year competition.

Larson is a "Soldier of Excellence," according to field station CSM Odell Williams. The

term was created by Williams to officially recognize the soldiers that are outstanding achievers. A Soldier of Excellence Ball was held in their honor in October at the Hale Koa in Waikiki. Medal of Honor recipient Col. (ret.) Lewis L. Millett spoke to the crowd of more than 300 people.

Family members also had their day during a Military Spouse Day Dinner in May. The dinner featured speakers from Army, Navy and Air Force officials, and a Spouse Day proclamation was presented. A Family Appreciation Day was held Nov. 23 to honor "the unsung heroes of the field station: our family members,"



A field station color guard stands ready during the recent Soldier of Excellence Ball held at the Hale Koa in Waikiki. (Photo by Sp4 Cherrill Cantrell)

according to SSgt. Robert Diehl, Human Resources/Equal Opportunity NCO. The Kunia Spouse Support Group also made its debut this year and is currently planning a children's Christmas party.

Black History Month was celebrated with a Black History Day in February at the field station recreation area. More than 250 people attended the picnic for the four services. A Sunrise Service was also held on Easter in the recreation area as more than 200 people attended the 6 a.m. sermon. Breakfast in the field station was followed by an Easter egg hunt.

The recreation area received a facelift this year, thanks to a local engineer unit from the 25th Infantry Division. The pond was dredged and expanded for fishing and canoeing, and work began on a quarter mile track around the pond's perimeter. The field station outrigger canoe team, the Hawaiian Warriors, will practice there in the future. In their first season, the Warriors managed "respectable" finishes of fifth and sixth places, a considerable achievement for a first year team, according to their mentor, Sam "Steamboat" Mukuai, a professional outrigger canoe coach who volunteered to take on the team.

One team member, Alpha Company Commander Capt. John Schultz, was picked to compete in the annual Molokai to Oahu race, a 42-mile stint that took six hours. The race is the "Super Bowl" of canoeing in Hawaii, according to Schultz. His crew finished 24th out of 40 teams with a time that would have won first place in 1980, he added.

Two of Schultz's soldiers recently performed in the Army Soldier Show in Washington, D.C. The Army's Morale Sup-



Terri Brandvold (left) and Anita Cullen of the Kunia Spouse Support Group lend their gardening talents to the recreation area. The area beautification was a recent project of the club that organized in 1984. (Photo by SSgt. Vicki Ohmacht)

port Activities Division there selected PFC Paula Rainey and Sgt. Yvette O'Connor for their singing abilities. Also on stage this year were Sgt. Jim French of Headquarters Company and PFC Leslie Blanchard of Bravo Company in the Army Community Theater production of the "Caine Mutiny Court Martial." French played the obnoxious psychiatrist, Dr. Bird, and Blanchard portrayed Lt. Thomas Keefer.

Blanchard joined another field station photographer, Sp4 Pam Taylor of Alpha Company, to win top Army Photo Contest awards for 1984. Blanchard won second place and an honorable mention in the Creative Effects category, and Taylor won first place in the people category and Best of Show for her entry, "Mediating Cogs."

The future of the field station was discussed in two planning sessions held here on Oahu and on the island of Hawaii. The conferences were geared to "develop a strategy

and a long range plan," according to Capt. Manuel Pinto, Organizational Effectiveness Officer.

The Sergeant Major of the Army, Glen Morell, visited the field station and received a briefing and tour of the facility. One stop on the agenda was the new learning center that opened for business this year. A barbershop also opened this fall to keep male soldiers within hair regulations.

More than 40 senior non-commissioned officers from the Military Intelligence Community Pacific gathered here in October to exchange ideas on personnel, equipment and professional progression. The meeting was the last in a series of three conferences.

The Quality of Life programs were also expanded to include biofeedback and Quality Circle training. Tours to the Polynesian Cultural Center kicked off as the field station purchased tickets to offer newcomers a glimpse of the Polynesian culture.

On the sporting scene, a field station swim team won several titles in local competition. The Kukinis, the field station running team, dominated a 30-mile relay in August as their two teams won both first and second place in a mixed military division. They followed this victory with the Arizona Memorial Relay, with one of the teams taking third place.

Charlie Bates also competed in the "Run to the Sun," a 36.2-mile ultra-marathon billed

as the third hardest organized run in the world. Other field station runners were gearing up for the annual Honolulu Marathon at press time.

James Haug and Lana Eggerding of Headquarters Company added their golfing talents to an All-Army team in worldwide interservice competition here in August, and Jeff Shaver of Headquarters Company captured second place in the 1984 Army Hawaii Superstar Competition at Schofield Barracks. The Alpha

Company softball team continued their winning ways as they took second place in the Army Hawaii Intramural Softball Tournament.

The third annual tunnel run capped this year's sporting scene in October as participants dressed up as their favorite Halloween character for the 3.3-mile run in the facility entrance. The 6924th Electronic Security Squadron won first place, followed by Army Alpha Company and Marine athletes from the Naval Security Group Activity.

Kunia Soldier of the Year

A Field Station Kunia soldier won the Intelligence and Security Command Pacific Soldier of the Year title in recent competition.

Sp4 Debra Larson of Bravo Company beat three other competitors for the Pacific title, and placed second in the INSCOM competition held in November at Arlington Hall Station in Arlington, Va.

"I have always felt if I do my best, then I am satisfied. I never went into a board saying 'I have to win this board,' " the Kentucky native said. "I go in as prepared as I can be, and I give it the best shot I can. And sometimes the best makes you a winner, and sometimes it doesn't."

Larson credits her supervisors and peers for supporting her during the competition, as well as her husband, Sgt. Steve Larson of Alpha Company.

If she had to choose between the labels of "lucky" and "winner," she would choose the winning tag. by SSgt. Vicki Ohmacht

"I am a winner. I think it would be degrading, after all the work I put into the board, to call it luck," she said. "I have had people say things to me like, 'you don't have to worry about winning because you look good in your uniform.' I find that to be really degrading because I put a lot of work into those boards.

"I think it is degrading not only to myself, but also to the NCOs who set up the board and the criteria for winning the board. I had the same advantages and disadvantages as everyone else, and I won because I had what they were looking for in the Soldier of the Year," she added.

The Soldier of the Year candidates were required to present an eight minute speech on a topic of their choice. Larson chose drug and alcohol abuse.

"A lot of people in the Army are easily influenced. They are far away from home, and the

large percentage of people in the Army are young. We need to set standards so these soldiers don't develop a pattern of abuse," she said. "I did some research and found out one of six people who try alcohol will become dependent. Seventy-five percent of all fatal accidents are related to alcohol, and 90 percent of all child abuse is alcohol related. We have the resources and the means to control alcohol in the Army and we don't," she said. " I think it is time we started."

Larson is considering the Army as a career, and advises other soldiers to compete.

"Once you start winning boards people start to know you. You get submitted for schools and other things you might not ordinarily get," she said. "The best advice I have ever been given before a board is that nobody in there wants to see you fail. They want you to do your best, and they are going to try every way in the world to get the very best out of you."

Pacific MI Mini-Conference held at FS Kunia

by Sp4 Donna L. Daugherty

More than 40 senior noncommissioned officers from the Military Intelligence Community Pacific gathered at Field Station Kunia recently to exchange ideas in the areas of personnel, equipment, and professional progression.

"Through these conferences key NCOs from the intelligence community will be able to come together, speak with one voice, and be heard," CSM George Howell, former Command Sergeant Major of INSCOM said. "By bringing strategic and tactical forces together and rubbing enough shoulders, we can overcome the barriers between the two."

The Pacific meeting was the last in a series of three conferences. The first was held in Europe and the second at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. "Each unit within the community has their own unique problems with mission responsibilities. Through these meetings, we can determine the most common problems, put a fix on them and make improvements, through the training of military intelligence personnel," CSM Sam Wise, former Command Sergeant Major of the Intelligence Center and School, said. Wise is now the Command Sergeant Major of INSCOM.

"One of the most important things to come out of these conferences is the opening of communication lines throughout the intelligence community," Wise added.

"The conference has brought together people from all over the Pacific region and will create a much better working relationship between higher and lower headquarters," SGM Laverne Sloppy, G2, 25th Infantry Division, said.

"The conference allowed for the cross fertilization of the thoughts and ideas of the sergeants major and will be very beneficial for the soldiers in the military intelligence field," 1st Sgt. Jerry O'Brien, Bravo Company, Field Station Kunia, added.

"As the senior NCOs in the intelligence community we

must work to improve the MI soldiers retention rate through job satisfaction, and we need to do the things that make a soldier feel necessary in his job," he went on to say.

"Now there can be a better understanding of the operations between the tactical and strategic sides of intelligence," CSM Samuel P. Thompson, 25th Infantry Division (CEWI), said.

"Through this conference we have found that we are all one," he added.

INSCOM Day at FS Kunia

Never, ever accuse Field Station Kunia INSCOM Day committee members of planning a dull, run-of-the-mill organizational day.

INSCOM Day 1984 started off with a six-mile run through one of the world's toughest pineapple field courses and ended at 2 a.m. the next day with personnel bidding for the chance to cover their favorite officer or non-commissioned officer with whipped cream in the "Pie in the Eye" auction.

The almost non-stop activity was highlighted by a day of sports as early morning softball games kicked off at 9 a.m.

Electronic Maintenance won the softball crown after a tough fight for the top spot with a senior NCO team. Fierce canoe competition marked the afternoon as a persistent Alpha Company team stroked their way to a gold medal in the half-mile race. A tug of war contest drew several teams to a dusty pit near the Field Station pond, with ITIC-PAC winning the battle of the brawn.

A four-member band began performing pop tunes at noon and stayed through the evening. Olympic medals were presented in ceremonies in the late afternoon. Children's games were also conducted.

Mission Support Activity, Pacific Installation Team provided the "Nerves of Steel" activity. The set-up attracted people with steady hands and full wallets for a chance at winning \$20. Twenty-five cents bought the participants the opportunity to move a metal ring from one end of a length of copper tubing to the other end in the fastest time without sounding off an attached alarm. Doug Weaver won the

grand prize with a time of 47 seconds. Operating the equipment were Sp5 Daniel Cook, SFC Eugene Campbell, Sp5 Douglas Myers, Sp5 Ronald Mitchum, Sp5 Ralph Allocco, and SSgt. Felix Donate.

The INSCOM Day committee included 1st Lt. Ann Marie Famulari, PFC William Slobojan, and Sp5 Pattie Hernandez, publicity; Sp4 Sharon Hall, entertainment; Sgt. Billy Ray Smith, logistics; SSgt. Alvin Overton, transportation; PFC

Claire Littlefield, Sp4 Kathy Pack, and Sgt. Sabrina Hicks, children's games organizers; Sgt. Russ Cook, Sgt. Renee Dunmire, Sgt. Katherine O'Neal, and Capt. Sarah Amoroso, sports; SFC Steven Whisenhunt, SSgt. Robert Jayson, Sgt. Roger Blankenship, Sp4 Eric Jackson, and Sp4 David Foster, food; and Sp4 Debbie Larson, promotion and t-shirt sales. And many others who helped to make INSCOM Day a success.



Sgt. Roger Blankenship of the dining facility prepares food as diners fill their plates. (Photo by SSgt. Vicki Ohmacht)



Charlie Bates challenges the "Nerves of Steel" as Sp5 Daniel Cook watches his attempt. (Photo by SSgt. Vicki Ohmacht)

State Champs at Field Station Kunia

PFC Jim O'Connor of Field Station Kunia in Hawaii was named "Best Lifter" in the recent Hawaii State Powerlifting Championships held at the Pacific Beach Hotel in Waikiki.

O'Connor benched 360 pounds, deadlifted 573 pounds, and squatted 501 pounds to take the first place title in the 181-pound category. This was his first major powerlifting title.

PFC John Davis of the same unit came in second place in the 222-pound class. The two 21-year olds also won their weight divisions in the Schofield Barracks Powerlifting Championships in October, setting two division records.

902d MI Group

Happenings in 1984



The 902d Military Intellligence Group, or the Deuce, approached 1984 with renewed impetus.

The Group implemented new initiatives to better accomplish its mission. Of particular note was the establishment of the Intelligence Oversight (AR 381–10) Training Program.

All 902d personnel must be trained on oversight procedures in order to ensure that the CONUS counterintelligence mission of the 902d MI Group is accomplished in accordance with the law. To accomplish this, the Group's oversight point of contact coordinated with the INSCOM SJA, ACSI-DA, and Army General Counsel for training visits by the proponent of AR 381–10. This program brings the experts to the field for indepth discussion with the agents on the street.

The program accomplishes two goals. First, it gives the field agent more confidence in his knowledge of the regulation, thus improving performance. Second, it gives the program administrators a valuable opportunity to learn what the job is like for the individuals in the local MI offices. To date, the DA instructors have visited three major subordinate units of the Deuce and six of eleven out regional detachments.

The reins of the Deuce were

exchanged from Col. Anthony J. Gallo, Jr., to Col. Francis W. Creighton on July 10. Col. Creighton has had a long and heralded career.

The personnel turbulence of the 902d MI Group Headquarters that confronted Col. Creighton was astounding. From June to August, the Deuce lost the Commander, Deputy Commander, S–3, and S–1 due to retirement or PCS.

The 902d MI Group initiated a major reorganization that was completed in October 1984. The Deuce was able to deactivate the CI/SIGSEC Battalion, located at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. The Military Intelligence Detachments sub-

ordinate to the Fort Sam Houston Battalion were reallocated to the CI/SIGSEC Support Battalions located at Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., and Fort Meade, Md. These two battalions were redesignated Military Intelligence Battalion (Counterintelligence) West Coast and East Coast, respectively. Further, the 902d MI Group activated the former Security Support Detachment as the Military Intelligence Battalion (Security), Fort Meade, Md. This organization is commanded by Lt. Col. David Clark.

In all, 1984 proved to be an eventful year for the 902d MI Group.

902d Soldier of the Year

"Sergeant Major, Sergeant Snaveley reports to the President of the Group Soldier of the Year Board."

These words culminated a year of effort. Effort devoted to preparing for one of the most challenging boards a soldier can appear before, in a career of many board appearances.

Sgt. Constance J. Snaveley, assigned to the Fort Monroe Resident Office of the 902d MI

Group's East Coast Battalion, was one of four soldiers that appeared before the Group board. This was truly the culmination of a year's effort in that Sgt. Snaveley began competition at her Resident Office and continued through the chain to detachment, battalion, and finally to group level.

Snaveley, a three year veteran, from Lebanon, Pa., was grilled on various military subjects, ranging from map reading to Army programs and policies. Additionally, Sgt. Snaveley was required to present an information briefing on a military subject of her choice. Her topic, "The Battalion Training Management System," was indicative of her positive attitude of "going for the gold."

In her relatively short mili-

tary career, this 22-year-old soldier has amassed a wealth of honors and schools. She was graduated from the Fort Knox Primary Leadership Development Course, with honors, just two weeks prior to her battalion and group level boards.

Sgt. Snaveley was joined in the group competition by three other outstanding soldiers: Sgt. Mark S. L. Robertson, MI Battalion (Security); Sp4 Cynthia J. Crawford, MI Battalion (West Coast); and Sp4 James A. Sazama, Pentagon CI Force. After winning the Group's competition Sgt. Snaveley went on to be first runner up in the INSCOM CONUS competition. Sgt. Snaveley is definitely "Soldier of the Year" material.

MI Battalion activated (902d)

INSCOM and the 902d Military Intelligence Group formally activated a new battalion, the USAINSCOM Military Intelligence Battalion (Security), at 2:30 p.m. on October 1, 1984. This unit was formerly designated the Security Support Detachment, 902d MI Group. A most colorful activation ceremony, attended by approximately 250 people, was held at the Fort Meade Officers Club, with music provided by the First U.S. Army Band. The ceremony commenced when Maj. Ariff, the Executive Officer for the MIB(S), welcomed the assembled group of men and women and distinguished guests. Guests included Brig. Gen. Daniel B. Johnson, USAR, and Col. Richard Powers, at that time the DCSOPS (now the Chief of Staff) at INSCOM. The program continued with the giving of the invocation, the advancement of the colors, and the playing of the National Anthem. Then Maj. Ariff read the activation order and introduced Col. Francis W. Creighton, the Commander of the 902d MI Group and Lt. Col. David W.

Clark, the Commander of the MI Battalion (Security). They each took the opportunity to make remarks.

Col. Creighton remarked that this was a most important day for a truly unique military intelligence organization—one whose origins date back to support of the "Manhattan Project." He further remarked that the MIB(S) provides the same valuable security services today to the U.S. Army and the Nation that its predecessor organization provided during the "Manhattan Project." The mission of the MIB(S) encompasses Operations Security

Support, Automatic Data Processing Security, Technical Surveillance Countermeasures Support, Polygraph, Defense Against Methods of Entry, and production of Communications-Electronics Operating Instructions. Referring to these diverse activities, the 902d MI Group Commander emphasized that much had been accomplished to date in these highly technical and most demanding security disciplines; but that there was much potential yet to be realized. Col. Creighton welcomed Lt. Col. Clark and his family to the 902d MI Group, and extended



Lt. Col. Clark receives the flag from Col. Creighton. (U.S. Army photo)

to him best wishes in leading and caring for the extraordinary people in his Command.

Lt. Col. Clark remarked that it was a pleasure to have everyone in attendance at the ceremony which elevated his unit in status within the U.S. Army. He stated that it was now his charge and charter, with the help of the dedicated professionals of the battalion, to build and move forward as envisioned. He indicated we must continue to be on the leading edge of our disciplines in order to support our successes of the past and to meet the challenges of the present and future. He continued by stating that in those areas in which we are truly unique, we must insure that the capabilities are not lost to the future. Lt. Col. Clark pledged that the operational missions will continue with vigor; the enhancement and nurturing of special and soldierly skills will be central to our professional development; and the caring of, for, and by our people will be the



MI Battalion (Security) Color Guard. (U.S. Army photo)

key that carries us to greater heights.

Upon conclusion of Lt. Col.

Clark's remarks, the Army Song was played and the colors were posted.

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Urgent Fury Awards

Seven Atlanta MI Detachment members were awarded the U.S. Army Achievement Medal for their support to Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM), Fort McPherson, Georgia and to other subordinate FORSCOM units throughout the southeastern United States and Puerto Rico during Operation Urgent Fury.



Personnel receiving the U.S. Army Achievement Medal are (front row, L to R) Capt. Gerald Cantrell, PFC Rita Fike, and MSgt. Cecil Whiteaker. Those in the second row, left to right, are SSgt. Kenneth Slater, Sp4 Donald Harris, CW3 Justin Aldridge, and CW2 Michael Eaton. (U.S. Army photo)

Palmieri and the world's toughest triathlon

Few soldiers are inclined to train for triathlons. But these three-event races are quickly becoming the ultimate way to test human endurance and stamina. Marathons, which cover 26.2 miles, have long been considered the most demanding endurance races. But triathlons include distance races as the third event of a grueling test of speed and spirit. Before slipping on their running shoes, triathlon competitors must first complete swimming and bicycling events. While swimming and biking are normally pleasant weekend diversions for most people, a triathlon combines them into a test of skill that most people never contemplate.

Recently, a member of the San Francisco Military Intelligence Detachment, West Coast Battalion, 902d MI Group competed in one of the world's most prestigious triatholons. First Lieutenant David Palmieri participated in an event appropriately called "The World's Toughest Triathlon" at South Lake Tahoe, Calif. on September 8, 1984. Palmieri, who is twenty-four and hails from Vineland, N.J. completed the three legs of this event in 15 hours, 8 minutes, and 44 seconds, finishing 18th in a field of 106 starters. "I knew it wouldn't be easy and was prepared for a long day of racing," remarked Palmieri. After the race the lieutenant mused, "My goal was fifteen hours, but I was preparing myby SSgt. Jeffrey A. Smith

self for not finishing the race, I'm a pessimist."

The "World's Toughest Triathlon" began with a grueling 2.4-mile swim through the chilly, spring-fed waters of Lake Tahoe. Although the lake was warmer than usual, competitors were required to wear wet-suit vests and pants. "I was worried about getting hypothermia from the cold water, even though I wore a wet suit," Palmieri commented. Upon exiting the the competitors changed into dry clothing and began the bicycle event. The bike course was set up over 120 miles in the mountains surrounding Lake Tahoe. Palmieri noted that, "I went over the bike course and I swam in the lake several times the week

prior to the race, so it was somewhat familiar." "My nerves were bad the entire week before the race, but knowing the course and having my friends and parents there helped make me more relaxed by race day," said Palmieri, who finished fifth in his age group. Altitudes during the event ranged from 4,720 to 9,150 feet. Even though each racer was in excellent condition, the altitude and the distances began to take their toll during the bicycle race as people began to drop out. About the conditions and distances Palmieri remarked, "I was real competitive during the swimming and the bicycle portions, I didn't begin to feel the altitude and distance until the marathon." Along the course, medical checkpoints were set up to monitor the



1st Lt. David Palmieri on a training run with the Golden Gate Bridge in the background.

blood pressure and weight of the racers. "I ate some food at the 80-mile mark, the medical stop on the highest mountain on the bike course." Competitors ended the bicycle race back at South Lake Tahoe and immediately started the marathon. A marathon is a tremendous energy drain. Running a 26.2 mile race after two other events takes special training and guts. "At that point, I just wanted to finish," said the lieutenant. Of the 106 starters, 36 dropped out before the event ended back at South Lake Tahoe. When it was all over, the winner was Scott Molina, a full time athlete, who completed the race in a time of 10 hours, 29 minutes, and 20 seconds. Asked how he felt after finishing, Palmieri said, "I felt great, my feet were sore, but the next day I was the first one up." After some thought he added, "I was looking forward to the off season."

The racing of triathlons is serious business. Because of the tremendous stress, the human body can break down at any time. Extensive training with weights, in pools, on bicycles and on the track is needed to gain the stamina and speed to compete. For over two years 1st Lt. Palmieri dedicated long hours to achieve a goal. That goal is to participate in the Ironman Triathlon held each year in Hawaii. "The Ironman is the premier, prestigious race for triathletes," states Palmieri. It consists of a 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike event, and a marathon. Entry into the Ironman is by lottery, merit (fast times in individual swims, bike races, marathons, or by finishing in the top five in your age group of a major triathlon), being a foreign entry, or by previous Ironman results. Palmieri entered a lottery to participate in the 1984 edition but was not selected. He hopes that the South Lake Tahoe race will pave the way for entry into the 1985 Ironman.

The idea to participate in the Triathlon Ironman occurred to Palmieri as he watched the event on television in February 1982. Prior to that date, he had lifted weights but was only an occasional runner. "My parents never pushed me into athletics," notes Palmieri who says he now trains "about 20 hours a week." Only two weeks after his first race, Palmieri completed the 86th Boston Marathon, finishing with a very respectable time of 3 hours and 33 minutes. Following graduation and his Army commission, he was sent to Fort Bragg, N.C. to instruct ROTC Cadets. Subsequently, he attended the Signal Corps Officers Basic Course at Fort Gordon, Ga. While at Fort Gordon, Palmieri continued to race. November of 1982 saw the lieutenant transferred again, this time to the Presidio of San Francisco, Calif. The availability of races California provided the young athlete with many chances to hone the skills needed to become a triathlete. "Triathlons range from sprint distances (three short events) to ultra distance. I want to be competitive at all distances," comments the lieutenant. Prior to entering the South Lake Tahoe triathlon, Palmiei had competed in three other triathlons, several marathons and many other road and bicycle races. Palmieri comments, "I enjoy all races but in triathlons, the distance is such a challenge, and I like the competition and the way it keeps you physically fit." In 1983, after completing his first triathlon, the lieutenant decided to increase his training, which was already difficult and somewhat monotonous. "Now the bulk of the work is on the bicycle, the least of it is in the pool, but the swims are probably the most productive because I can do intervals (speed work) everytime," he notes. His Lake Tahoe performance will hopefully take him to the "Ironman" in Hawaii in 1985. It is a goal 1st Lt. Palmieri has strived for since 1982. Is it worth it? For David Palmieri, the answer is a resounding yes.



Mt. Tamalpais, 2400 feet, is a favorite "hill" of 1st Lt. Palmieri.

Field Station Sinop

Events of the Year

Computers, new plans, and renovations projected the future as Diogenes Station finished its 1984 experience.

While cursers, plaster and dishes were seen on post, mule-drawn carts and open air stores crowded Sinop's narrow roads below. As the surrounding community lived its traditional everyday occurrences, a fusion of current and past environments occurred when both the station and the Turkish government took note of an incomplete stone form.

Once thought to be part of an ancient monastery, the archaeological treasure attracted the attention of the former American Forces Commander, Col. William G. Hanne. According to Mr. Gareth Turgeon, installation engineer, Col. Hanne had expressed his concern about "saving a piece of history."

Under the supervision of Sinop's museum director, the Turkish Ministry of Culture and Tourism gave approval to Diogenes Station personnel, who had volunteered their help in the upcoming operation, to begin the archaeological dig.

The dig, which began in June, ended abruptly in September. According to Dr. Mohammed Hakeym, the Project's Technical Advisor, one of the other archaeological digs in a different part of the country

by Rick Bretz

had met with some bad publicity. A member of the Noah's Ark team expedition had carried out of the country a piece of wood from the Ark. Because of that incident, the Ministry of Culture and Tourism closed down many of the digs in progress throughout Turkey. Negotiations are now underway to resume the digging operations.

CHANGE OF COMMAND

During the post's fascination with artifacts in July, a Change of Command Ceremony was held. The flag of the American Forces Command was passed from Col. William G. Hanne to Col. Theodore C. Fichtl.

Col. Fichtl said, "I hope to have an open command. I intend to have the people who work directly for me work hard. I'm not one who is normally discouraged from taking on a job because it's a tough job."

SURVEY RESULTS

Once settled into the command, Fichtl personally reviewed 250 Quality of Life Survey Forms. The survey showed which services were satisfying and which were less than adequate. Several areas enjoyed popularity while others needed a more pleasur-

able environment. Services receiving top notch marks included the Library, the Education Center, the Health Clinic and the bus schedule. The Quality of Life Survey Forms showed that the Post Exchange and the television facilities needed improvement in their services.

In hopes of improving the television services and reception, both Turkish and American officials are making plans to install a satellite dish. Capt. Van Wright, TUSLOG Public Affairs Office in Ankara, said, "Satellite television transmissions will be available at Diogenes Station in approximately two years."

In hand with a television satellite, the U.S. Army Information Systems Command commemorated its twentieth anniversary of service to Diogenes Station with an announcement of a telephone satellite link to the United States

"The main purpose of the new satellite system was to take some of the communication systems on post and give the people a more direct link to the States," said CWO2 Daniel Johnson, the officer in charge of the satellite system. "The major benefit for the average person on post will be an improvement in morale and, additionally, autovon calls will be clearer."



Maj. Gen. Harry E. Soyster, INSCOM Commander, passes the American Forces flag to Col. Theodore C. Fichtl, incoming Commander, during the Change of Command Ceremony. Col. Fichtl took over the command on July 23. (U.S. Army photo by Rick Bretz)

COMPUTER AGE

Besides satellites, Diogenes Station welcomed the computer age with the arrival of several word processors and IBM computers. The systems were given to key offices to better control property, paperwork and personnel information.

In addition to word processors and computers, Diogenes Station soldiers received survival equipment in the form of canteens, sleeping bags and cold weather gear.

NEW SYSTEMS

For social events, soldiers and sailors witnessed the reopening of the Hilltop Community Club. The club's main ballroom, stage, and snack bar were completely renovated. Modern equipment, as well as paneling and carpeting, were installed in both areas. A larger beverage bar also improved service.

Five weeks after soldiers and sailors welcomed the renovated Hilltop Community Club, they said good-bye to an old friend, the Sportsman's Club. The Sportsman closed on April 29 to make room for an expanded Education Center.

A weaponeer training system was also installed for soldiers to hone their qualification skills with the M16A1 rifle.

The closings, relocations and renovations continued through the rest of the year with the enlisted and officer quarters being upgraded. Installation of a three-and-one-half inch layer of polyurethane on exterior walls and thermopane windows should do much to cut down on the wind chill factor on top of the Hill. "This is part of an engineer effort to reduce heat loss and to make the winter months more comfortable," said SFC Pete Luongo, the utilities and quality assurance inspector at the Directorof Engineering ate Housing.

SPORTS

The Headquarters Company 76ers completed the basketball season in February by beating Hippy I, 47–44, on the strength of 13 point performances by Carle Gayle and James Lewis to gain the post championship trophy. The 76ers remained undefeated throughout the year. The only question by the crowds seemed to be by how many points they would beat their opponents.

The Headquarters Company softball team picked up where the basketball team left off by hitting and fielding its way through a 18–4 regular season record and the post championship tournament crown. Headquarters Company beat a tough EMD team, 15–2, in the "if" game. "We became a little over-confident in the middle of the first game and they came back and beat us," said Efrain Perez, Headquarters Compa-





ny's pitcher, after the game. "In the second game, we changed our attitudes. We wanted to go out and play softball, get the hits, and not get frustrated or down and it worked."

A significant event happened when soccer-minded soldiers formed a team and challenged a Turkish team in Sinop on October 14. The Turkish team defeated the

Americans, 15–2, in the first game, but the post team came back later and lost only 3–0.

A harmonious dance with the past and the future dominated Diogenes Station's soldiers and sailors' lives during 1984. Like watching a science-fiction movie and Humphrey Bogart flick at the same time, soldiers and sailors waltzed with the uncomplicated and the technical.

Top left: EMD's first baseman, Karl French, crawls to third base during the softball championship game. Headquarters won the game 15-2. Top right: Greg Hinderliter, a member of the post soccer team, stretches to stop a Turkish player from kicking a drive towards the American goal. (Army photos by Rick Bretz)

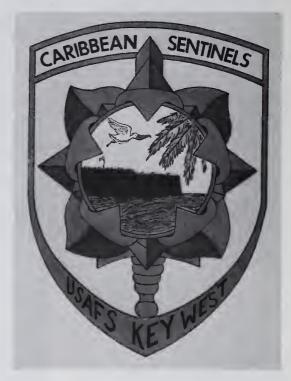


An archaeological dig volunteer throws a shovel full of dirt during the beginning of the ground breaking. The dig began last spring. (U.S. Army photo by Vernon Bailey)



A Hippy I player shoots a reverse lay-up during the championship basketball match with Headquarters. Headquarters won 47-44. (U.S. Army photo by Vernon Bailey)

Field Station Key West



Rites of Passage Program

by SSgt. R. Resnikoff, Jr.

The "Caribbean Sentinel" crest (depicted on the Rites of Passage t-shirts), blends military intelligence and the Field Station's history and environment into one symbol. The center of the crest displays the long and proud history of the U.S. Army in Key West and the sub-tropical climate. Since the establishment of Fort Taylor in 1836, the U.S. Army has consistently maintained a Key West garrison. As the southern-most point of the continental limits of the U.S., Key West is considered a tropical paradise. The blue sea and

sky signify the Field Station's permanence in this environment, while the pelican and palm illustrate the desirable characteristics of its homeland.

Prerequisites for acceptance into the INSCOM Rites of Passage Program include the successful completion of the SQT, CTT, ARPT, weapons qualification, and a written test on INSCOM and its heritage. On October 26, 1984, at the end of a long and arduous day, the proud soldiers of Field Station Key West, the Caribbean Sentinels, were called in to attend a ceremony.

After everyone was seated and the lights were dimmed, Capt. Frechette, commander of Field Station Key West, began the program for this solemn and momentous occasion. Thus, the first inductees of the Field Station's INSCOM Rites of Passage Program were initiated. Capt. Frechette conducted a tour through the history of INSCOM, CONUS MI Group, and Field Station Key West and the unique role each has played in the U.S. Army.

The first part of the ceremony, aided by an innovative slide presentation, was concise and enjoyable. Upon conclusion of the slide presentation, Capt. Frechette asked all soldiers present to move to designated places. A "Caribbean Sentinels" t-shirt and INSCOM hat were awarded to each soldier with hearty congratulations from Capt. Frechette and 1st Sgt. Fredlund. After this exchange of goodwill, everyone moved to the Patio Beach picnic area for official photos.

Field Station Panama

by Capt. Rudolph Gonzales

A new era began at Field Station Panama on September 21, 1984 with Maj. Dennis A. McGaugh taking command from Capt. Rudolph B. Gonzales.

The change of command was conducted with members of the 193d Infantry Brigade, Naval Security Group Activity Galeta Island, and 470th MI Group in attendance. A reception was held after the change of command.

Maj. McGaugh came to Field Station Panama after a successful tour as S–3, 307th MI Battalion. The outgoing commander, Capt. Gonzales, will remain at Field Station Panama as its operations officer.

An era of expansion and improvement in support of local and national level commands will continue at Field Station Panama. Maj. McGaugh takes charge of a unit whose primary goal is the accomplishment of the mission. The members of Field Station Panama are truly soldiers first, intelligence professionals always.

66th's Det Hahn

On January 31, 1984 INSCOM activated its newest and most technologically advanced tactical reconnaissance unit. The new unit, the 66th MIGP's Detachment Hahn, is subordinate to the 502d ASA Battalion at Augsburg. Maj. Lawrence R. Carr was selected to command Detachment Hahn and MSgt. Paul Schuldes was named the unit's First Sergeant.



At the reception of the Change of Command Ceremony at Field Station Panama are (L to R) Sgt. Maj. Bettis, Col. Pheneger, Maj. McGaugh, Capt. Gonzales, and 1st Sgt. Delgado.

Field Station Berlin

On August 1, 1984, the command of Field Station Berlin was passed from Col. Cloyd H. Pfister to Col. Kenneth D. Roney. More than 300 guests and visitors attended the Change of Command Ceremony including Maj. Gen. John Mitchell, U.S. Commander, Berlin and Maj. Gen. Harry E. Soyster, INSCOM Commander.

Alluding to the Army themes for the tenure of his

by Maj. Patrick Deery, Maj. Richard Grandey, and 1st Lt. Eric Strom

command (1982—Physical Fitness; 1983—Army of Excellence; and 1984—The Year of the Family), Col. Pfister said, "You soldiers and your families have done an outstanding job. In this Olympic Year.... I think about what we're doing and we indeed, you indeed, are Olympians in what you've

been doing for our nation and Allies, what you've been doing for the community here within Berlin."

Following these comments, the command guidon was passed between Maj. Gen. Soyster, Col. Pfister, Col. Roney, and CSM McKnight signifying that the new commander, Col. Roney, was ready to carry on the fine tradition already established by Col. Pfister.



At the Change of Command Ceremony, the guidon is passed from Col. Pfister (far right) to Col. Roney by then Brig. Gen. Soyster. (U.S. Army photo by Sp4 Linda Peltier)



Senator Patrick J. Leahy lunches with Sgt. Jeffrey Webb (L) and Sgt. Barbara Bradley (R) at the Teufelsberg Dining Facility. (U.S. Army photo by Sp4 Linda Peltier)

Senator visits FS Berlin

by SFC Dwight Bowker

Sen. Patrick J. Leahy (Democrat-Vermont), distinguished member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and the Senate Appropriations Committee, visited U.S. Army Field Station Berlin Wednesday, October 17, 1984. The Field Station Berlin community felt honored to be selected as one of the stops on his whirlwind tour of European-based American military installations that lasted only nine days. Sen. Leahy was accompanied on the tour by Vice Admiral E. A. Burkhalter Jr., Director, Intelligence Community Staff, Mr. Keith R. Hall, Mr. Eric D. Newsom, and Lt. Col. Robert Brown, USA Legislative Liaison.

The Senator and Vice Admiral were warmly received by the command and troops of the Field Station. Sergeants Barbara Bradley and Jeffrey D. Webb briefed the party on local operations and accompanied the group on a tour of the Teufelsberg installation. MSgt. Stephen W. Crump conducted the tour of the installation and introduced the Senator and Vice Admiral to individual system supervisors and operators. Of particular interest to the Senator were those soldiers from his home state of Vermont.

Sen. Leahy ate lunch at the site Dining Facility accompanied by selected enlisted members of the command. Among those present at the luncheon was Sp4 Louise A. Montgomery, INSCOM Soldier of the Year, Sp4 Leonard C. Prestridge, FSB Soldier of the Quarter, Sgt. Barbara Bradley, SFC Billy R. Hollis and CSM Raymond McKnight.

Following lunch, Sen. Leahy took time out to pose for photos with members of the command. One loyal Vermonter, SFC James W. Nostrant, produced a state flag that he had owned for years and had accompanied him on many previous duty assignments for the photo session. Sp4 Brian Deschamps and Sp5 Thomas M. Schultz, both from Vermont, also attended the dinner and had their pictures taken with the Senator.

The Senator was favorably impressed with the Field Station installation and gained invaluable knowledge of the front-end operation of the system. Sp4 Montgomery described the Senator as, "... very interested in what's going on here. I found him to be a very warm and sincere individual. He ate a hamburger and french fries during lunch and made a point of talking to each and every one of us. He's really a down-to-earth sort of guy."

FS Berlin receives award

For the third year running the Electronic Maintenance Division, Field Station Berlin, has been awarded the INSCOM Commanding General's Award for Maintenance Excellence in the heavy maintenance category, which includes all INSCOM units authorized 1,001 or more items of equipment. This feat has not been duplicated by any other INSCOM unit to date. This much sought after award reguires the maintenance area to obtain a near perfect score (of 98 percent or better) on the Annual Command Maintenance Inspection (CMI). In October, Colonel Roney accepted the award while attending the Commander's Conference held at Arlington Hall Station.

by Capt. Barrett Kemp

The CMI team conducts the inspections using an extensive and very detailed checklist, inspecting areas such as maintenance management, equipment readiness, shop operations, preventive maintenance, calibration, shop safety, publications, and tools. Of the eleven inspection categories on the CMI inspection checklist, EMD received five 100 percent ratings and, of the remaining categories, were never rated below 94 percent.

The OIC of the Electronic Maintenance Division, CW2 Edmund J. Chapin, credits the daily efforts of his dedicated, hardworking, and highly proficient maintenance experts for

the award. Without their technical knowledge, attention to detail, and willingness to put in many extra hours, the award could not have been possible. CW2 Chapin also pointed out that the CMI is an inspection of the maintenance posture of the entire command. Consequently, personnel within other sections of Field Station Berlin contributed immensely to the preparation and results of the inspection. In November 1984 the EMD personnel became INSCOM's nominee for this year's Chief of Staff Army, Award for Maintenance Excellence in the heavy maintenance category. We wish them good luck; they have worked very hard for this honor.



MSgt. James Sollars shows a family member how to use the word processor at Family Day activities. (U.S. Army photo by Sp4 Linda Peltier)

Berlin Family Day

by SFC Debra Smith

In September Family Orientation Day was conducted at Field Station Berlin. The purpose of Orientation Day was to provide information, make visits to operational areas, and develop an environment where family members could meet one another and other

members of the command. SFC Debra Smith was the Project NCO for planning and coordinating the event.

After opening remarks by Col. Kenneth Roney, FS Berlin Commander, the approximately 200 family members were given a station briefing.

As the family members left the recreation center, they were divided into six groups to facilitate the additional briefings and demonstrations that were scheduled for the remainder of the day. Each group was provided bus transportation to its scheduled site. Various demonstrations were given, including one on cardiopulmonary resuscitation techniques.

To ensure everyone's attendance, invitations were sent to every family in the command approximately three weeks

prior to the event. Service members, mostly from the Electronic Maintenance Division, volunteered to babysit more than 60 children so those parents could attend.

The Berlin Orientation Tour was a great success. The dedication and professionalism of the soldiers were evident throughout the day. They are "on watch" with their mission and in caring for their families.

SFC Smith is honored

by 1st Lt. Laura J. Brockelman

The members of the Sergeant Morales Club exemplify a special leadership characterized by personal concern for the needs, training, development, and welfare of the soldier. These qualities and more were the reasons SFC Debra E. Smith, NCOIC of FSB's Noncommissioned Officer Development Program, was selected in June 1984 to the prestigious Sergeant Morales Club (SMC).

SFC Smith was recommended by the Field Station for the SMC and appeared before a board conducted by Berlin Brigade. The Berlin Brigade CSM, Dennis Duncan, chaired the board and was assisted by five other Brigade Sergeants Major. They found SFC Smith to be an NCO who emulates those standards of excellence required of a member of the Sergeant Morales Club. When

asked to what she attributes her selection, SFC Smith replied, "My selection is a direct result of my fellow NCOs. Their support, advice, and assistance have been the building blocks to my development as an NCO. Without them, I would not have been able to reach this milestone in my career."

The SMC, a USAREUR-wide program, recognizes those NCOs who have contributed

significantly to developing a professional NCO corps and a combat effective Army. The selection process eliminates all but the finest NCOs. Boards may be conducted at the unit and/or community level. Each major command in Europe conducts a final selection board on a quarterly basis. If those boards recommend approval, then the individual will appear before the final selection board.



SFC Debra Smith is congratulated by Berlin Brigade CSM Dennis Duncan after her induction into the Sgt. Morales Club. (U.S. Army photo by Sp4 Linda Peltier)



The Commander of FS Berlin, Col. Roney, presents the Army Commendation Medal to Sp4 Louise Montgomery. In November 1984 she was selected as INSCOM Soldier of the Year. Her husband, SSgt. Johnny Montgomery, watches the presentation. (U.S. Army photo)

INSCOM's Soldier of the Year

by 1st Sgt. Thomas Chapman

Sp4 Louise A. Montgomery, Company A, FS Berlin, kept alive the tradition of excellence for the station by winning INSCOM Soldier of the Year for 1984. She began the competition for INSCOM Soldier of the Year by being selected the Soldier of the Month for June 1984 for Company A, FS Berlin.

She went on to sweep the Company and Field Station Berlin Soldier of the Year for 1984. After winning the Field Station Soldier of the Year, she prepared for the European/Near East Board, hosted by the 66th MI Group in Munich, by studying and sitting before daily boards and honing the

speech that she wrote for the competition. In Munich, the honors were hers!

Preparation now began in earnest for the INSCOM Soldier of the Year Board to be held in November 1984. She was selected as the winner after tough competition with other commands.

Her awards include the Army Commendation Medal (1 OLC), Army Achievement Medal, Army Occupation Medal, and the Army Service Ribbon.

"We really did it!"

by PFC William J. Scannell

"We really did it" was the relieved sigh the FSB Nijmegen team vocalized on completion of the 120 km walk through the Dutch countryside. Fourteen soldiers from FS Berlin had just competed in the 1984 Nijmegen march. Each member was required to carry a rucksack weight of not less

than 23 kilos, march in formation, and complete the day's march (40 km) as a unit in less than nine hours. During early summer, 33 practice marches totaling 1000 km prepared our team for the march. The twomonth long training program was conducted by Capt. Mark Jaworski, the B Company

Commander as well as the 1984 FSB Nijmegen Team OIC.

Founded in 1908, the Royal Netherlands League for Physical Culture (KNBLO) was created with the intention of promoting the mental and physical health of the nation. The following year the KNBLO sponsored their first annual four-day, 160-kilometer march in Nijmegen, Holland. The objective in 1984, as it was in

1909, was to encourage participants to train themselves to cover a considerable distance each day without impairing their health.

The march at an end, the FSB Commander was at the finish line to greet and congratulate his troops. FSB finished a proud 14th out of 50 American teams and first among the other European MI units. No unit can function

without a great degree of camaraderie, and the 1984 FSB Nijmegen Team was no exception.

The endurance and leadership qualities of each member were put to the test. The fourteen men and women of FSB trained and completed the march with a spirit that would make the founders of the 75-year-old march proud.

A walk for the Orphanage

Seventy-two soldiers and family members of FS Berlin walked 10 miles through historic Berlin as a way of benefiting the Elizabeth Weiske Heim Orphanage. While several fund raisers are conducted throughout the year to assist the Orphanage, sponsored by A Company, FSB, the proceeds from the walk-a-thon were specifically designated for the children's Christmas Party.

by SFC Debra Smith

Giving and sharing is the theme behind the work and dedication that A Company gives to help raise money to support the Orphanage, a home for the physically and mentally handicapped children and the elderly.

The 10-mile course began at Andrews Barracks, where all the FS Berlin soldiers are billeted, in the heart of the American sector of West Berlin. The course concluded at Freedom Bridge or Glienicker Brucke, the site of the famous exchange of Francis Gary Powers in 1960. The FS Women's Club provided refreshments at the 4-mile marker and some of the children met the walkers at Freedom Bridge. The day concluded with wurst and soda at Rose Range for the children and walkers.



The members of FS Berlin, and their families, walk along the 10-mile route in their walkathon to benefit the Elizabeth Weiske Heim Orphange. (U.S. Army photo by Sp4 Linda Peltier)



Personnel at FS Berlin are having a good time at the INSCOM Day festivities. (Photo by Sp4 Linda Peltier)

FS Berlin's INSCOM Day

by Marcia Cunningham

At Field Station Berlin's celebration of INSCOM Day, an estimated 1000 service members and their families, including civilian workers at the Station, attended the event. This event is staged primarily to raise funds for the INSCOM Benefit Association (INSCOMBA). In addition to its fund-raising capabilities, the event provides an opportunity for everyone to have a good time.

Among other events and games at the celebration, there was a serious and well-fought softball tournament between FS Augsburg, the 66th MIGP and FS Berlin. The 66th MIGP won the women's competition while FS Augsburg took the men's competition. Capt. Barrett Kemp, who managed the softball tournament, said, "All the teams put in their best effort which made for a very exciting match."

Volksfest fun

by CW2 Ronald Jones

In August the U.S. Army, in conjunction with the Berlin civilian community, hosted a German-American Volksfest. The theme of the Volksfest was 'California: Land of Contrast.'

The soldiers of FS Berlin, as well as those of the Berlin Brigade, had the chance to experience both German and American culture. There were shows on stage with dancers and music, an abundance of food and drink representing both countries, and carnival rides of all types.

FS Berlin always played a major part in these festivities and this year they ran the Bier Stubel or Beer Stand, which included a large casino, consisting of games of chance and daring, a casino bar, and other attractions. The larger operation was controlled by CW2 Ron Jones who was responsible for 35 permanent staff personnel to run the tables and the machines. In addition to the permanent staff, trick workers contributed a total of 7000 hours during their offduty time.

The 1984 Volksfest, an annual event, was an opportunity for the American community to mingle with its German friends in Berlin and strengthen international relations. What better way to do this than with excitement, conversation, and just all-around

fun!

INSCOM at Arlington Hall Station

The year in review

INSCOM at AHS saw many new faces during 1984. The then Brig. Gen. Harry E. Soyster assumed command of the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command upon the retirement of Maj. Gen. Albert N. Stubblebine, III. The ceremony took place on June 26 at Vint Hill Farms Station. Gen. Soyster was frocked to Maj. Gen. Soyster on August 29 at AHS.

Col. Louis D. Kirk assumed the position of Chief of Staff of INSCOM on February 1. His predecessor was Col. Charles C. Partridge. Then on November 21, Col. Richard J. Powers assumed the position of CofS.

INSOCM said goodbye to CSM George W. Howell, Jr., at his retirement ceremony at AHS on December 3. Retired Maj. Gen. Stubblebine was a guest speaker. CSM Sammy W. Wise became the INSCOM Command Sergeant Major on December 17.

Lt. Col. Harry F. Ferguson became the new commander of the U.S. Army Garrison, AHS in July. He replaced Lt. Col. Joseph C. Liberti.

by Deidre A. Hoehn

Sp4 Pamela Siddens was named the 1984 Soldier of the Year for the Garrison at AHS.

Once a week during the last half of FY84 a group of employees from the Recruitment and Placement Branch, CPO gathered for a Quality Circle Meeting. As a result of these meetings, the members of the Branch successfully completed the revision of the procedures, instructions, and forms for developing a crediting plan for candidate evaluation under merit promotion procedures.

INSCOM held its Annual Logistics Conference January 9 through 12 at AHS. Attendees included directors of industrial operations, supply and maintenance officers, and key logisticians from INSCOM subordinate units. Among the highlights of the conference was a presentation by Maj. Gen. Arthur Holmes, Jr., Department of the Army, Assistant DCSLOG. The presentation was on the "Army's

Material Goal/Key Army Logistics Issues."

The INSCOM DCSPER sponsored the 1984 INSCOM S1/Reenlistment and HREO Conference held January 16 to 20. The conference was held at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. The conference was attended by 58 INSCOM personnel representing 24 INSCOM subordinate units.

The theme of the conference was "Focus on Excellence." Maj. Gen. Bobby B. Porter, keynote speaker, primarily focused on the Army of the 80s and the Army's goal of having an Army that can fight and win.

AHS celebrated INSCOM Organization Day on September 28 beginning with an awards ceremony honoring outstanding performance and meritorious service of eight employees during the last year. The award presentation was followed by a cake-cutting ceremony and a picnic for employees at the Hall, Vint Hill Farms Station, and Fort George G. Meade.



Command emphasis is on Quality Circles as a means of improving work performance and productivity. Participants are (from left to right) Kim Baker, Barbara Brown, Betty Brown, Vincent Roots, Bernadette Kirchner, and Edith Young. (U.S. Army photo by Sp4 Shakelford)



The attendees of the 1984 Annual Logistics Conference included Directors of Industrial Operations, Supply and Maintenance Officers and key logisticians from INSCOM subordiante units from CONUS, Hawaii, Japan, Korea, Europe and Turkey. Retired Maj. Gen. Albert N. Stubblebine III is in the front row.











Photos on this page were taken at the ceremony in which Gen. Harry E. Soyster was frocked to the rank of Major General. (U.S. Army photos)



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